# **MINUTES**

Ad Hoc Committee on Billboards Tuesday, February 24, 1998 – 10:00 a.m. Tenth Floor Conference Room Lansing City Hall

#### Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Councilmember Allen.

#### Roll Call

Steve Springer, American Lung Association
Don Diskey, Ingham County Health Department
Robert Ford, Landscape Architect
Carol Wood, West Town Redevelopment
Ed Liebler, Chamber of Commerce
Jim Ruff, Planning Division
Lorenzo Lopez, COCO's
Jack Roberts, Law Department
Melissa Randt, Adams Outdoor
Tina Gallante, Council Staff

### **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

No public comment was given.

#### **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

#### **Introduction and Overview**

Councilmember Allen began by introducing the Committee and reviewing the charge given. The Council passed a resolution on December 15, 1997, which accompanied the

moratorium on billboards, requesting that there be further evaluation done on the matter, specifically on the on-premise, off-premise issue.

Each member of the Committee provided an introduction of themselves and expressed their interest in the matter of billboard advertisement. Councilmember Allen clarified that the Committee will focus their work on billboard advertisement only.

Mr. Roberts reviewed the ordinance and how it came about. Due to the time frame within which the ordinance was passed out, the Committee was formed to review the moratorium in further detail.

Ms. Randt commented that on behalf of Adam's Advertising, they do not support a complete ban for alcohol or tobacco. She referred to a Baltimore ordinance that was not granted a complete ban. It is a matter of First Amendment rights.

The Committee then appointed Mr. Ed Liebler as Vice President of the Committee

Councilmember Allen reviewed how she would like the meetings to be handled, commenting she would like them to stay at a one-hour maximum. The charge of the Committee is for a six-month limit and she would hope the Committee could complete their job before that time. At the next meeting, she would like to review the definition of on-premise and off-premise.

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Submitted by,

Tina M. Gallante Administrative Secretary Lansing City Council

Approved by Committee.						
Signed by:						
	Sandy Allen, Chair					

Appropriate documents attached to original set of minutes.

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Councilmember Sandy Allen, Chair

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- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS
- 4. **DISCUSSION/ACTION** 
  - A. Introduction and Overview
- 5. OTHER
- 6. ADJOURN

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